## House Resolution No. 325

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding group of Missouri youngsters who have distinguished themselves as leaders of their peers; and

Whereas, students at Stonegate Elementary School in Raymore, Missouri, are to be commended for their efforts to collect more than 900 reading books for the library at Brazos Elementary School in Orchard, Texas, which was destroyed by fire just ten days before Christmas in December 2002; and

Whereas, Peggy Martin, a volunteer at Stonegate Elementary School, recently delivered 971 books to Brazos Elementary School, where they were welcomed by the smiling faces of appreciative students and teachers alike; and

Whereas, Peggy Martin contacted Brenda Sehorn, Stonegate Elementary School's Media Specialist, after learning that a fire which had started due to a short in a copy machine had destroyed the library at Brazos Elementary School; and

Whereas, Peggy Martin and Brenda Sehorn organized a book drive by sending out a flier that explained about the fire and encouraged students to collect books that would be sent to Texas; and

Whereas, the book drive for Brazos Elementary School, which was held around the Christmas holidays, drew a huge response from students, all of whom derived a tremendous amount of satisfaction from sharing the gift of books with children in need; and

Whereas, Peggy Martin is exceedingly proud of the students at Stonegate Elementary School for their kindness and generosity, which certainly touched the lives of the students at Brazos Elementary School and helped them to cope with the loss of their library by establishing a new collection of books:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in thanking Peggy Martin, Brenda Sehorn, and the students at Stonegate Elementary School for helping students at Brazos Elementary School in Texas to rebuild their library, and in wishing them only the very best as they continue to inspire others to give to those in need; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Peggy Martin, Brenda Sehorn, and the students at Stonegate Elementary School in Raymore, Missouri.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 325, adopted February 11, 2003.